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Mr. Hughes' aircraft report has at last been taken out for an airing.

With Trent and Trieste in her hands, surely Italy's cup of joy runneth over.

The dual monarchy more nearly resembles a multiple anarchy.

The colonel is still silent on that hereditary presidency idea.

Turkey's collapse provided another move-on order for Count Bernstorff.

It is about to develop that Count Julius Andrássy doesn't count any more.

Austria is happy. She has joined the growing membership of the down-and-out club.

Perhaps Gen. Diaz thought it as well not to announce the armistice terms until our elections were over.

Nobody loves a fat man, according to the old legend. Neither are crown princes longer considered good catches.

By applying before the rush begins, King Boris might obtain a chautauqua engagement.

Bulgaria, Turkey and Austria have shown us that peace drives can sometimes become almost irresistible.

It now develops that the prince of Wales has designs upon both a bride and a throne.

The postoffice department declined to recognize a strike of telephone operators and it was called off.

Hindenburg exhorts the German army to stand fast. They probably misunderstood him to say run fast.

Newberry is considered the republican huckleberry. That crowd is used to great goods of the needful.

Tomorrow, we will save the country. Or, failing in that, will then proceed to gather up the fragments.

Leslie M. Shaw is still alarmed more over paragraph 3, of the fourteen principles, than over the war situation.

King Boris may reflect that it is better to have a throne for a few days than not to have reigned at all.

Germany has dissembled often, but it is now unmistakably for peace. Even the kaiser is willing.

Australia still has a big surplus of wheat and is looking for ships to get it to market.

Nobody has as yet taken time to note the effect of the Valenciennes operations on the prices of lace.

It is said that the remains of the late czar have been dug up, apparently to see if they were still there.

Hungary has adopted equal suffrage. Will the United States senate hold out any longer?

Air forces will bomb Potsdam—Headline. This intelligence may provoke expressions something like the last syllable in that neighborhood.

A washout would hardly describe the situation of the Berlin-to-Bagdad railway. But there will soon be considerable washing out on the line over there.

Today politicians are claiming the earth and the fulness thereof. Wednesday will be devoted to explaining why they didn't get them.

The colonel promised on election night two years ago not to run the country, but he didn't realize then how hard it is to refrain.

Some go up and some go down, according to Bob Taylor. At that, however, Bob never had thought about Austrian cabinet changes.

An item states that Turkish baths are unknown to the Turks. In fact, it is not known what variety, if any, they are familiar with.

If Belgium is consulted in the matter, she will probably indicate that her peace terms are cash down with the order.

One thing which prevents it from becoming universally popular is that when the office starts out to seek the man, it only wants one.

Count Karolyi has proclaimed Hungary a republic, which may serve to bolster waning hopes or republicans in this country.

Power ruins Hun emperor—Headline. Power is a two-edged tool, which is ardently sought and arbitrarily exercised, but which mars about as often as makes.

An exchange reminds us that Col. Watterson a year or two ago solved the problem of what to do with the kaisers.

Tomorrow, the plain citizen will enjoy the privilege of saving the country. After that, he won't have much to say about it.

When counted the last time, prisoners taken by the allies since July 18 numbered 362,355. A move to make the surrender unanimous is in order.

The Southern Lumberman suggests that those German soldiers who went into Holland evidently preferred internment to internment.

Gen. Krasnov, formerly a Kerensky commander, is said to have accounted for 25,000 obstreperous Russians. Gradually, the complications of the Russian situation are being cleared up—leaving fewer to deal with.

Somebody declares that there is really no substitute for food. And this discovery has probably had something to do with the present popularity of peace in Germany and Austria.

## ANOTHER AUTOCRACY FALLS.

We got an inkling into the terms of the armistice which have been imposed on the Austro-Hungarian armies by Gen. Diaz from the fact that Trent, the capital of the Tenth, and Trieste, the only Austrian port on the Adriatic, and capital of Carniola, already are occupied by Italian troops.

With disintegration at the military front and revolution at home, the dual monarchy has ceased to be a factor. A separate republic has been formed of the Bohemian and Moravian populations with its capital at Prague. Hungary has declared its absolute independence, though as yet there may be some sort of recognition of the king. The South Slavs are in revolt, with the prospect that the Serbs and Croats will join Serbia.

The full terms of the armistice are printed elsewhere. Austrian armies are to withdraw and be demobilized. Half of the artillery is surrendered and part of the navy. Strategic points are occupied by our forces and access to Germany given. Italia irredenta is evacuated also. All stores in occupied regions are surrendered. We shall note the terms more fully tomorrow. They are drastic and protect us fully, and yet not more so than was to be expected.

Evidently the demoralization that has infected all its former allies among the central powers is reaching the armies of Germany on the western front. The retreat west of the Meuse is almost a rout. Not yet have the terms of an armistice been given out by the Versailles council. The delay is no doubt wilful, for with the elimination of other enemies the surrender of Germany may be made more certain and immediate.

The masterly conduct of all the affairs affecting a final and permanent peace indicates that the wisdom of Woodrow Wilson is having its powerful influence in our councils and has brought its prompt response in the growing confidence of the enemy in his promise of justice. Mr. Herbert C. Hoover has just said that through the leadership of the president we have won a complete victory and at the same time have saved the lives of a million of our own young men and those of the allies.

No more serious misfortune could occur than anything which smacks of repudiation of the president at the hands of the American electorate. It would discourage the efforts of those who seek a league of nations and disarmament, and would encourage those who are as blind to great principles as Napoleon or the kaiser.

## EFFORTS TO WEAKEN PRESIDENT.

As an editorial today we reprint from the Congressional Record, parts of a speech by Senator Pittman, of Nevada, in reply to recent utterances by the leader of the republicans in this body, in attack on the president.

At the same time we wish to express the belief that very few republicans in this part of the country approve these attacks.

The only danger to the president is the misconception which has been created.

Senator Pittman defined the issues of the day very clearly. He said: "There is no doubt that some of you on the other side—there is no doubt that there are some republican leaders throughout the country—who sincerely differ from the president of the United States. There are some of them who cannot understand that humanity has any place in law; there are some of them who cannot dream of justice ever controlling and directing nations as it directs individuals within nations; there are some of them—and they are the leaders today of the republican party—who believe that the only right, the only justice, is force, force, force to the end. I am not attacking the sincerity of those men. I pity them; I pity them as I would pity a murderer who was guilty of murder by reason of a form of insanity. I know some of the leaders on the other side whose ice-bound souls could never understand what a world democracy means. I know that there are members on the other side to whom the very name democracy is the cause of silent mirth. Those men only differ from the kaiser in that they are jealous and resent the power of the kaiser that they themselves would exert with happiness and pleasure if it were in their power to do so."

"Oh, the president of the United States in his message has stated that we must do justice not only to those to whom we want to do justice, but to those to whom we do not desire to do justice. That is a principle of humanity; that is a principle of Christianity; and yet that principle arouses the anger, arouses the contempt of the leader of the republican party. He accuses him to such an extent that he publicly condemns it as silly, as foolish, as mischievous. Yet the president of the United States under attacks of this character is supposed by these leaders to sit silently by and see not only a nation but the world cast back hundreds of years, because forsooth he might personally be charged by some one with an ulterior political purpose. Listen to this charge and tell me if there are any republicans on the other side who endorse it—I know there are a few who endorse it in their hearts; I know they permit it to go out as an argument throughout this country, and that they will utilize it for the pure, simple, unjustifiable purpose of getting back here and nothing else. . . . The republican party are opposed to the reduction of armaments. The republican party are opposed to the utilization of a league of nations as an instrumentality to hold down the increase in armaments and to rectify the little wrongs which frequently cause wars between nations. I am not here to argue now the question of a league of nations or a reduction of armaments. I stand for both. I am here to show the stand of the republican party, as announced through their own leaders. The statesmen of the civilized world today, with the exception of the few in the republican party who are seeking office or following their candidate, stand for a reduction of armaments and a league of nations."

"James Bryce, former ambassador to this country, and one of the greatest Englishmen alive today, stands for a league of nations. Lloyd-George, next to the president of the United States the most pronounced statesman of this era, stands for a league of nations and for a reduction of armaments."

"Oh, the republican party have their issues. God pity the republican party. God pity the republicans who have got to have these men who now constitute themselves the leaders of the republican party write their platforms for them."

"Ah, there are thousands of intelligent, high-class republicans in my state, who I know will never follow your candidate, will never follow your platform against a reduction of armaments and a league of nations. It is pure delusion to think they will. They will not stay with you. Your chances are gone. Those were the statesmen of your candidate; those were the statements of the leader of your party; and your floor leader on that side, the distinguished senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Lodge), will not deny."

"I believe that he concurs entirely with the position taken by Theodore Roosevelt. If he does not agree with him, there is every opportunity for him to state that he does not agree with him."

"The senator from Massachusetts, the leader of the republicans in this body, has stated his opposition to a league of nations. He has stated his opposition to the fourteen points of the president. Oh, yes; not only has he stated his opposition to the president's pronounced words and programs and promises, but he has gone further; he has shown his lack of confidence in the chief executive of this country. He has shown his lack of respect for a man who is respected throughout the world today. He has questioned the leadership of Woodrow Wilson, when his leadership is admitted by Great Britain, by France, by Italy, by all of our allies, and by all the neutral countries of the world."

"That is your issue. You have made it. You will stay with it. You will fight for militarism of the Czar's kind—not for victory that there may be peace and justice throughout the world, but victory that you may make something out of it, that you may make a profit out of victory. Oh, yes; and in this hour, when the principles that must control the world for years and years to come are under consideration, instead of helping the president, who has the constitutional authority to negotiate those principles, you are doing everything in your power to discredit and obstruct him."

"What do you suggest in lieu of a league of nations? What do you suggest in lieu of the reduction of armaments? Nothing except an alliance with Austria and Italy; an alliance such as Great Britain had with France and Russia; an alliance such as has existed from the very beginning of history, and has been, if not the cause, at least the opportunity, of every war since the beginning of time. Every senator on that side who speaks for his party speaks for the old theories of life, for the old theories of nations, for force, for war, for murder, for death, for slaughters throughout all time, and not one word for justice or humanity or peace in the future. Those thoughts are in their souls. They have not lived the lives that lead men to think of justice, humanity, and democracy; and yet they, by fortuitous circumstances, are today the leaders of the great republican party in the United States. . . . The party that anyone must admit has done wonderful good in its time. They are its leaders, and no matter whom the republicans may elect to this body or to the house of representatives, those leaders will dominate and control and mold them to their way of thinking."

## THOUGHTS ABOUT DEATH.

It was related of Col. Robert G. Ingersoll that he once expressed a wish that he might die gradually and in the presence of friends, and that he might be able to describe to them the sensations experienced. It was also stated that he changed his mind later in life and hoped that he might be taken quickly. In the latter desire, in fact, he expressed such a desire—he was gratified. Charles Frohman is also quoted as comforting associates, while the Lusitania was sinking, with the remark: "Why should we fear death? It is a most interesting adventure."

Sir Walter Raleigh, who was later executed as a criminal, wrote during his lifetime the following apostrophe to death:

"O eloquent, just and mighty Death! whom dogs should advise, thou hast persuaded; what none hath dared, thou hast done; and whom all the world hath flattered, thou only hast cast out of the world and despised; thou hast drawn together all the star-strengthened greatness, all the pride, cruelty and ambition of man and covered it all with these two narrow words, 'He Jacet.'"

Nothing is so familiar or common in all the wide world, yet most of us prefer to talk about something else. The recent epidemic brought death close home to many of us, but the familiarity did not generate any fondness for the subject or anxiety for the experience. St. Paul also wrote something about death, but it was a sort of prophetic exultation looking to a time when it will be relegated to the position to which public opinion would readily consign it—a time when the victory of death and the grave will be overcome. He declares that it is the last enemy to be conquered.

We have said nothing in so familiar

as death, but paradoxically there is also nothing more mysterious than death and its antithesis—life. We are constantly in contact with both, yet how little do we know of either. Our knowledge of each other is limited and we don't know much more of ourselves. Shall we ever know? St. Paul says we shall. Now we see, as through a glass darkly—know in part, but shall know better some time.

Some have insisted that the existence of a want implies a satisfaction some time or somewhere. If this is correct reasoning, we shall know more. The curiosity of some of us to know more is indeed keen.

## LEGISLATIVE RACE.

Two years ago Mr. Clegg, in his paper, opposed a partisan legislative fight and strongly urged the election of Finney T. Carter to the legislature. What he said about Carter then is just as true today. The young man is in every way fit for the office. He has done nothing since that time to cause any one to oppose him. In fact, he has shown every day a degree of reasonableness, common sense and poise, which with his other qualities of sincerity and courage will make him in every way an acceptable state senator. Carter is a young man who has worked himself up among those who toll. He is self-educated, but well educated. He is not an extremist or agitator, and is far more than the candidate of a class or a party. Thus it is he finds strong support among all grades and conditions of our people.

There are two candidates with considerable experience in business who ought also to be elected. One of these is J. O. Martin. He has the confidence of his fellow citizens. Charley Lynn is a man very well known to the community, and we believe will make a good member of the legislature.

Also, we have several lawyer candidates—L. D. Miller, A. L. Emerson and Chas. Gill, whose qualifications are well vouched for.

The republican party has given us a candidate from the country districts, Mr. Horne. Something quite unusual these days.

The voter should study the qualifications of every candidate and make up his ticket accordingly.

On great national issues, prohibition and suffrage, all the candidates are similarly pledged, so these issues need not be considered.

## M. J. HORAN.

M. J. Horan is dead. This announcement Sunday afternoon carried a touch of sadness to the hearts of Chattanoogaans, for the death of genial "Emjay," as his friends were wont to call him, removes from life a man who has for years held a warm place in the hearts of the people of Chattanooga. He was noted for his genial nature and his ever-readiness to lend a hand to those in distress. He came of a pioneer family, being himself a native of the city, and perhaps had the widest acquaintance of any man in the city.

His father was Will Horan, a leading grocery merchant of the city soon after the Civil war. Mr. Horan was educated in the city schools of Chattanooga and Notre Dame college. He was a veteran of the Spanish-American war. He was one of those jovial, whole-soul men who made friends with all who came in contact with him. He was a true friend. He loved his neighbor and a greater tribute can be paid no man.

Some kind of an animal which kills and eats dogs is reported in the neighborhood of Knoxville. It must have a sharp appetite, but it is performing a patriotic service.

T. M. Gilmore, of the Model Licensee league, has for several months been engaged in a literary campaign trying to educate the Bristol Herald-Courier upon the advantages of booze. It is probable, however, that Mr. Gilmore has reaped more than the average man's profit out of the traffic.

Gov. Manning, of South Carolina, thinks the south ought to make one more effort to get a price for cotton which will equal the cost of growing. It is really a remarkable situation wherein so many people are doing business at a loss.

Trying to Put Country in Bad Plight. (New Republic.)

The political enemies of President Wilson have at last brought into the open their campaign to overthrow his

## THE MELANCHOLY DAZE



But now, with victory in sight, the opponents of the president set about to make them partisan issues—to divide the nation at the moment when it most needs to be united. There have even been threats that the senate would reject treaties made by the president upon his terms.

The president's opponents are the real defeatists. If they prevail, democracy will have fought this war in vain. And the American government might fairly be charged with perfidy. In this crisis, it is the plain duty of every citizen to face without indolence, without shrinking, the question: "Where do you stand?"

## RIPPLING RHYMES

By Walt Mason

## The War Lord.

The war lord had his little day, he flashed his gleaming saber, "he is the nation's used to say," "a most imposing neighbor. He's talked of wounds and death and scars until our heart-strings tingled; he certainly looks much like Mars, with Vulcan intermingled. He poses as the ancient Hun, Attila bold and haughty; of course he means it all in fun—he's merely rather dotty." In times of peace the nations grinned at Wilhelm and his posing; his war lord stuff was so much "dilly," "dilly," "dilly," "dilly." And while the nations grinned and smirked, and thought themselves in clover, the kaiser and his cohorts worked to put their war graft over. They put it over good and strong, they caught the nations napping; as centuries the years seem long since Bill began the scrapping. It's easy now for us to say, "We've learned our lesson fully, and ne'er again can royal jay spring stuff so wild and woolly." Alas, but we forget so soon, as graveyards we go roaming; is any corn that hurts at noon remembered in the gloaming? We'll have peace long years of peace again—we're at that era's portal; if any war lord's strutting then, will we just wink and chortle? (Copyright by George Matthew Adams.)

## FRIEND OF LABOR

Frank Morrison Makes a Plea for Labor Vote for Shields.

Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, has prepared the record of Senator John C. Shields on measures of interest to labor that have come before the senate for a record vote during the session. Mr. Morrison says: "An analysis of Mr. Shields' record will show that he has been actively sympathetic in behalf of legislation beneficial to the best interests of the whole people."

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